GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA

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FALL IN IT SPENDING
BASUDEB ACHARIA

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the fall in IT spending by the Government would adversely affect the anticipated $20 billion worth of business by the year 2008;

(b) if so, the details of future plans of the Government to increase the demand of IT in the domestic market;

(c) whether the Government have considered to spend more fund for IT related development in rural sector; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY(DR. SA PASWAN)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Various steps taken by the Government to strengthen the Indian IT industry are given in Annexure-I.

(c): Yes, Sir.

(d): A number of projects/schemes are being implemented and some new schemes are being launched by the Government for the development of Information Technology in rural areas. Details are given in Annexure-II.